LOYAL WOMAN'S WORK

The Household---Conversation Club. Exchange.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS.

A correspondent asks the Editor to suggest something new in the way of entertainments for Posts and Corps. Everything ordinary and extraordinary, she writes, has been tried, and the demand is for something out of the common order. Just what has been tried is not stated, and so the Editor would simply suggest are impossible to separate entirely. The question, two or three varieties that have come under in a fair way, seems to me to be: Which is better, a two or three varieties that have come under

her special observation. First, there is the Red, White and Blue Social. This is a basket social, where each lady interested furnishes lunch for two, in a basket fancifully trimmed with paper flowers or fringe of red, white and blue. She also wears the National colors. On the basket is placed a card takes luncheon with the lady furnishing the same and wears the button-hole bouquet. This is a prettier social than the Weight Social, and the choosing of baskets and consequent drawing of partners is great fun. Of course the ladies all strive to have their baskets trimmed as prettily as possible, and those who are clever in making paper flowers can have them beautifully decorated with roses, or pinks, or poppies, each lady choosing her favorite flower and

SPRING FLOWER SOCIAL.

This can be made very unique. Each young lady dresses as a flower. A white, pink or blue dress, lavishly trimmed with roses, daffodils, violets, or snow-balls (which may be made beautifully of tissue paper) is a costume easily arranged. The "Flowers" dispense refreshments, confections, fruits, flowers or whatever may be offered for sale. To one of these Flower Socials invitations have been issued in the name of the Flowers, a musical program liked as the well-educated man? In spite of his provided, and a small admission named. The program included a male quartette, by "The Cro-cus Club"; a solo, by "Sweet William"; a solo, by "Johnny Jump Up"; a chorus, by the a play upon words.

CEADLE SONG SOCIAL.

This is a charming and novel entertainment the leading idea having been taken from an English publication called "The Cradle Songs of all Nations", in the book being found all the cradle songs, with illustrations of the various cradles, together with descriptions of costumes. The Breton song is sung by little misses wear- | drus, Nunda, Ill. ing tipy white aprens, one standing at the kitchen table peeling potatoes, while the other rocks the cradle, in which nestles a baby. The cradles are as varied as the songs, the Spanish cradle, for instance, being a hammock, and the Norwegian a basket suspended in air by ropes tied to its handles and fastened aloft, The songs are pitched in a low, lulling tone, and are charming numbers, as does Ittiak itt John Scanlan's "Peck-a-Boo" when well sung. SPRING PASHION HINTS.

The coming waterproof is in all colors. Coat sleeves take precedence of all others. The skirts of dresses are worn shorter. Mantles and jerseys are elaborately trimmed. Red cravats are in high favor among young

The latest rage is one color for dress, hat, wrap, gloves and shoes. The hair is dressed . ty low, or very high. Long-waisted bodices, pointed back and front, are revived.

Tailor-made dresses have lost their pretty simplicity. Waists grow longer, basques shorter, collars higher, skirts fuller, hats and coiffures higher, dress less artistic.

For Summer wear light fabrics will be made with corsages pleated on the shoulders, crossed in front and belted at the waist, the sash or belt having long ends. Old fashions bring old follies, and it is said

that the present elaborate style of dressing the hair and powdering it almost necessitates the demand than at present.

Domestic Recipes.

New and delicious to be made in the New and delicious to be made in the in after years of disappointment and sorrow, will morning and thoroughly chilled: Pare five or suffer remorse and dispair over a wasted life. six oranges and cut them in thin slices; pour | Annie, Lock Box 124, Madisonville, Ky. a cup of pulverized sugar over them; boil one pint of milk, add while boiling the yolks of substitute two eggs or a tablespoonful of gela-

Nothing gives the proper variety to a dinner so much as the close observance of the rule, which long experience established, of serving meats with their proper accompaniments. Apple sauce with pork and goose, and current jelly with mutten are indispensable at every well regulated table. With roast beef, grated horseradish; roast pork, apple sauce; roast veal, tomato or mushroom sauce; roast mutton, current jelly; boiled mutton, caper sauce; boiled chicken, bread sauce; roast lamb, mint sauce; roast turkey, cranberry sauce; boiled turkey, oyster sance; venison or wild duck, black current jelly or red; broiled fresh mackerel, gooseberry sauce; boiled bluefish, white or cream sauce; broiled shad, boiled rice and salad; compete of pigeons, mushroom sance; fresh salmon, green pess and cream sauce; roast goose, apple sauce.

Here is a savory and palatable vegetable soup, made direct from the bone: Get a 10-cent shank and put it over the fire in water enough to cover and simmer slowly for four hours. Skim and sait when it first comes to the the green left on, chop up with a knife on a board and put into the kettle. Add half a tea cupiul of barely, two potatoes, a small turnip and carrot, also chopped up, and lastly a teacupful of canned tomators. Do not stir it at all, The last hour let it boil slowly on top of the stove. Chopped cabbage may be substituted for parsely and celery.

Editor's Chat.

The subject which will now be specially considered by the Club is "Slang." Any member of the Club having good reasons to advance for or against its use will now have a chance to be veteran), Brooklyn, N. Y. Resolved, That education is better than riches," when the Editor will give a concluding sentiment to the Club.

Minnie: President Lincoln was the great civil head and Gen. Grant the military genius of the war. Together they may be termed the Castor and Pollux who led the Nation to victory. They cannot well be separated, neither | Alida Iona Whited (daughter of a veteran), Mahoncan we think of one succeeding without the other. The question as to which is entitled to the most honor can scarcely be raised, since the history of the great conflict has already assigned them places together in the highest niche of

"Flora" must learn to spell more correctly. The critics will surely be after her if she spells their name thus-"critticts." Try again, Flora.

Effie H .: All are welcome to THE TRIBUNE Club who are loyal and true, whether they are the sons and daughters of veterans or belong to other Union loving families. One of our best letter writers spells "angel"

like "angle," and so is kept from the Honor Roll. Our young friends must remember that there is a wide angle between an angle-worm and an angel.

Mary O'Neil answers questions correctly, but

asks how many times something is found in the Bible, but just what the word is the Editor cannot possibly make out. It looks like "mouse," but if so it is a very sty mousie. O. W. Holcomb, Northboro, Iowa, and others will be duly informed through THE TRIBUNE

when Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood's book is ready. It will be out in plenty of time for Memorial Day, and will be entitled "Camp-fire, Memorial Day and Other Poems," instead of "Poems of War and Peace," as was first proposed. The book will be chiefly made up of poems suitable for recitations, some of which have been recited In every State in the Union. Publishing a book is like building a house, and when you think the plans are all consummated something turns up to delay the completion.

Conversation Club. Rules of the Club.-1. Write briefly. 2. Write on one side of the paper. 3. Write to the point. 4. Write on one subject. 5. Write your best. Each week the names of those writing the best lettersstyle, composition, spelling, pennanship and gen-eral merit considered—will be named at the head of this column on the Honor Roll. Pirst honor will include all of these requirements. Second honor

others will be named.

HONOR ROLL. First Honor-Annie M. Andrews, Nunda, Ill. Second Honor-David F. Anderson, Berlamont, Mich.; Neilie Gwynn, Sorento, Ill.: Carrie B. Ash-eroft, Alton, Ill., ida Powles, Erockiyn, N. Y.; Walter A. Benton, Grovestend, Essex Co., N. J.

will include a deficiency in some one point. No

EDUCATION OR RICHES. FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: On the question, "Reolved, that education is better than riches," I take the negative. But, in the first place, the two common education and great wealth, or a spleadid education and a small amount of money? Why, when a college is to be established, the first thing is to find men that have money which they will give for the purpose. So you see it is money first and education afterwards. And I believe if those who come down on Mr. Lloyd so heavy had to work half or one-third the time to get an education that they will to get money, they would give up bearing the price of the basket, and to the pretty quick. And for example, take Peter Cooper card is attached a pretty button-hole bouquet, or George W. Childs. What men ever did more The gentleman who purchases the basket good with their education than they with their wealth? Of course, they had an education; but what would they have amounted to with their education without their money? Take those who go for Mr. Lloyd so savagely and let an ignoramus who has his millions and a man with a spiendid education, but without any money and in rags, come to their house or town, and see if the rich man is not welcome anywhere and the poor man unnoticed. One of our opponents says we would have no Na-TIONAL TRIBENEIF the Editor had had all money and no education. Well, all right; but now, Mr. Editor, which did you think of longest when you were about to start your paper, your education or your money pile? After all, with most people education is used simply as a steppingstone to wealth. I would like to have somebody send me the poen 'Michigan's on Guard To-night," for which I will exchange any which we have, and we have a large number of them.—David F. Anderson, Berlamont,

Van Buren Co., Mich.

IGNORANT WEALTH. FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: Ignorant wealth may beg notoricty, but cannot purchase honor. A rich ignoramus may, on account of his wealth, have many friends and followers, but will he ever be as seerely honored, as thoroughly respected and wealth will be not be ridiculed on account of his ignorance when he is not present, even by his fol-lowers? Will ask M. H. Tucker if the class he refers to is known as the white clay eaters, and, if so, I quite agree with him in thinking their con-"Blue Belles," and other numbers, each title dition deplorable. Dancing and card playing are well enough under proper regulations, but I care for neither.—Irene L. Corey, 138 Liberty street, Cleve-

ECHOES OF MANY VOICES. Money is good, but knowledge is power.-Jennie Reager, Box 821, Waterloo, N. Y I think an education better than riches. I mean by this, that if I must be illiterate and rich or edu-

cated and poor, I should choose the latter, and give a woman's reason-"because."-Annie An-As between education without riches and riches without education, I would choose the latter. One who likes to dance, sing, whistle, play cards, read novels, and amuse herself generally-Kittie Dare,

Dawn, Mo. Popular education has developed patriotism and diffused intelligence, and made the United States the admiration of the world. It has promoted peace and extended commerce, and made the Nation free and prosperous. All honor to the soldiers very sweet. Fritz Emmett's "Lullaby" and who triumphed at great cost, and may theirs be the Sullivan's quartette, "O Hush Thee, My abundant recompense. One who had a father and five uncles in the war-Lewis Harbaugh Colum

Riches may take wings and fly away, but educa-tion will be lasting as life itself. To this end it is a good thing to ask questions, for it makes us study, I think, and study never hurt anybody. The Club s more interesting than ever, and I have been thinking what a grand reunion we might have could the members all come together.—Hattie Fieger, Traverse City, Mich.

Ignorance is barbarism. It would be hard to name one man who has been honored by the people, who had not an education. Those who cannot read or write, and have no way to attain an education, generally become what I should term professional tramps. Would like to hear from Florida or the Rocky Mountain States.—Minnie Caylor, Box 28, Ocheltree, Kan.

The happiest and most prosperous nation—the United States—is that in which education and riches go hand in hand. Education is the energizing force of wealth, and wealth is necessary to carry on the grand schemes of education. Education led to the invention by Prof. Morse of the electric telegraph, and wealth established the system which ans our country and connects continents together. Education should be our first care, and then if we have talents we come to the front, and if we do not amass wealth ourselves, we can command the wealth of others for good and useful purposes.-

Seth Thomas, Opolis Kan. The first duty of life should be to secure a good education. The boy or girl who has so educated use of face powder, paints, mouches or black and regulated intellect, taste, and moral sense, as patches on the face, and penciling the eyebrows | to be able to distinguish the true from the false, and evelashes. Cosmetics were never more in | will be ready for the faithful performance of the work of life; while they who are allowed to grow up trivolous, vain and idle (which is too often the case with the wealthy), will find themselves unfitted for a high and noble state of existence, and

VALUE OF FREE SCHOOLS.

three eggs and one tablespoonful of corn-starch, to know that a Kansas boy would talk as Mr. Davis FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: I am very much surprised which you have first rubbed smooth in a little does. If the whites had not brought the colored cold milk; you must stir this every moment | people to this country they would not be here to till it begins to thicken like custard, then pour go to school with their children. Instead, they over the oranges: beat the whites of the ergs were forced to come. The white man took ships over the oranges; beat the whites of the eggs were loreed to come. The white man took ships to their native country, had them go into the ships to a froth, add a tablespoonful of sugar. put this and sailed away with them against their will, and over the custard, and set it in the oven to now the white youth finds fault with what his forebrown. If you dislike the taste of corn-starch | fathers did. Now, the negroes are scattered all over the United States and the West Indies. How can Mr. Davis expect them all to be in convenient reach of a colored school? And because they are not in reach, they are to grow up in ignorance and be persecuted by the School Board, I agree with Mr. Davis about the Public School system of Kansas. I do not think there is another State (no older than Kansas) which has as good a school system. But let it benefit all, white and black. I like Prai-

rie Lilly's letter and Dwight L. Stoddard's.-Esther E-, Box 950, Fontana, Kan.

I believe in mixed schools, and am not ashamed to attend the same school with colored children, to where the maine rhode is. Land travel is safest. But I think they ought not sit with the whites .-Neilie Gwynn (daughter 6th Ill. veteran), Scrento, I believe in free schools, otherwise how would

the poor receive an education? Would like postal autographs for album -L. H. Rose (son 115th III. veteran), Lexington, Texas. I am in favor of mixed schools and think education better than riches. My home is among the Butler County oil wells, the most productive in the world; and father was a 9th Pa. Cav. man. Wish

some one would send me "By the Tomb of Washington."-Carrie L. Brandon, Butler, Pa. BIBLE BRIGADE.

Correct answers to Bible questions and Dollie Loudermileh have been given by Rosie Judd, Ashland, Mich.; Bessie Cowen, Grafton, Kan.; U. E. Curry, Hope, Dak.; Bob Farde, Harris, Obion Co. boil. An hour before dinner take a bunch of Tenn.; Walter J. Wynn, North Salem, Ind.; May parsely and a couple of stalks of celery with Osborn, Spring Lake, N. J.; James L. Cole, Rochester, Pa.; John S. Kirkland, Enterprise, Ind. Answers not heretofore given: The number of verses in the Bible is 31,173, contained in 1,189 chapters and 66 books. The word "and" occurs 46,277 times; the word "Lord" 855 times; the word "rev-erend" but once, in the 5th yerse of the HIth Psalm. | smitten by Joshua, added to the number of brothers There are no words of more than six syllables. Questions.-Who was the first Christian martyr? Who was the first Gentile convert ?-Mrs. Cynthia

Answer.-The 9th verse of Chapter 7, Book of Esther, contains 13 lines and 92 words. If there is | Christ, added to Joshua's age, added to the number | 000,000 pounds to 450,000,000. But cheese is as a longer one let me know. - 3irs. Rhoda W. Miller. | of locks of hair cut from Samson's head, added to Famile C. Church: The word "girl" is men- the number of Job's daughters, less the number of tioned but once, and that is in the 3d verse and 3d chapter of Joel. - Ida Powles (daughter 48th N. Y. divided by the number of dreams of Pharoh. heard. With the next number of The TRIB- It is a little singular that the 117th Psalm is not | bag when he slew Goliath. UNE will close the debate on the question, only the shortest chapter, but is also the middle chapter of the Bible. Can any one tell me the

middle verse in the Bible and one verse containing all the letters of the alphabet ?- Walter A. Benton, Grovestend, N. J. Answer to Hattle M. Putney; Nine chapters. Question.—How often is the word "grandmother" found in the Bible?—Gracic Powlson (a soldier's daughter), Lake Spring, Mo. Question.-Why was Christ born in a manger?-

ing Furnace. Alida, though only II, writes a pice letter and nswers several questions correctly.-En.] Answer .- I find the word "butter" in the Bible 9 times, as follows: Gen., 18-8; Dent., 32-14; Judges, 5-25; Sam., 17-29; Prov., 30-33; Job, 20-17, 29-6; Psaims, 55-21; Isainh, 7-15,—Emma Poster (daugh-

ter 36th Iil. veteran), Big Rock, III. [Question by the Editor: Was the butter mentioned in the Bible the same as the butter we use now? Stella Canfield, 174 West Clark street, Springfield, O., answers Bible questions correctly, and would exchange postals. Questions asked: From where is the word "Jew" derived? Why is the Bible

so named?

Question.-Where is the first prophet spoken of in the Bible?—Gertrude McMahon, Rigdon, Rid, Answer.—The Isle of St. Ann is in Brazil. It is formed by two rivers running in opposite directions, but flowing in one bed. Trixy C., Box 161, Forest, O., sends a cluster of correct answers and asks the following questions: Whom did Napoleon style the Roland of the

French army? 2. Who was the Maid of Bath? 3. Who originated the expression, "The Almighty Dollar"? Question.-What tribe of people did the Lord swear to take away with books and their posterity with fishhooks? Mande S. Smith (daughter 37th

Wis. veteran), Ashland, Neb. Ed Rynearson, Gettysburg, O., gives correct answers to many questions, of which the following is the best answer given to Sadie Reed's question The Silver Grays were that portion of the Whig party which refused to coalesce with the "Abolitionists" and agreed with President Pillmore,

Chub, Chouse, Chalk, Chair. Question.-What was the Koszta Affair? Emma, Salem, Kan.: Gunpowder was Invented about 1220 by a chemist named Barthold Swartz, who mixed niter, supplier and charcoal for medical uses, and by accident a spark fell in the compound causing it to expiode. This led to more experibeen made very satisfactory to a large number ments, resulting in the discovery of gunpowder,of travelers in the last seven years. Will B. Pierce, Box 208, Grand Crossing, Ill.

AUTOGRAPH ALBUM VERSES, If Flora McMillin will write me, she will receive reply, as I am endeavoring to discover an old friend. Here is an album verse: Smiles are more than sunshine,

-Anna Poar, Montevideo, Minn.

Love is more than gold;

Patient hearts and toiling hands

Fair and flowery be thy way,

The sky all clear above thee,

And happiness each coming day

Wreath laurels for thy brow,

By mountain or river your footsteps may stray,

Forget not the absent, though far from thy sight.

When you at last shall reach the stream

Thee ever pure as now,

Oh, think of me kindly when far, far away

In hall or in cettage, at noon or at night,

To cross the mystic tide,

May He who rules the Universe

Your bark in safety guide.

page, Still think of me kindly, and do not forget

In the Book of Life-God's Album-

Write their names forever there.

Perhaps thine eyes some future time

With friendship's hand so free.

I would like the words of "Dublin Bay,"

May your name be penned with care, And may all who here have written,

-Lucy M. Robideau (daughter 98th N. Y. veteran)

These simple lines may see, Then think of her who placed them there

back again; wisely improve the present-it is thine.—Effic Hungerford, Daysville, O.

May the joys of your life be many,

May the griefs of your life be few,

Who will safely carry you through.

-Ellen Caldwell (daughter 5th Wis. veteran)

Let your motto ever be:

Upon this page I choose a spot To write these words, "Forget me not."

Faith, Hope and Charity.

-Edith E. H. (daughter 111th N. Y. veteran),

-Ada A. Carr (daughter 1st West Va. Cav. vet-

Tribune Exchange.

end a little souvenir in exchange for pieces for a

Will the Club send me their autographs for an

Album and the Young Recruits an advertising eard

each? Would also like the poem containing these

The old and haughty Czar, Lonely, though princes gird him round, And leaders of the war."

from his comrades.-M. B. Tibbitts, Box 38, Hum-

BRAIN-RACKERS

From Our Young Contributors.

FORTY HIDDEN FISHES.

With his tingling hands his boat he guides-

On the gunnel he sits and spikes up the leaks,

While his boat flounders round in the sea.

He throws his gold-box of white bait to him,

The fish takes it and off with it makes.

For his Bible he dabbles round in the boat,

The skipper leaps out of his "rocker";

His ten chubby children he meets at the door,

On the carpet his Kate now perches and pouts

The skipper to her has not kept his word.

A NUMERICAL ENIGMA.

31, 33, 12, 39, 11, 26, 18, 48, 27 is to t'cklet

41, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 is invariably a quack;

The whole, of 51 letters, is a very homely adage.

HIDDEN STATES AND TERRITORIES.

from Mary Landers? Do the pieces I sent you connect? I cut my finger with the knife you gave

me and it is now broken. Tuck your muslin like

Our help are ladies of color. A dog scared an

Indian away from Adela Wareham's house the

other day. I have something new. Jersey sacks

are all the rage, and I have one. We named the baby Penn. Sylva Niat and Minne Sotare and I

had our pictures taken. We make a fine trio.

Water is plenty here. Fremont an' a lot of men

went West to look for ore. Gonthals have moved

to Stover, Montery Co. Tom lives in a log hut a

half-mile from here. I passed and stopped in. Eva

Davis is sick. We send our washing to Nelsons.

Ida Hoover is home. Oh! I owe Caleb a market

report; also, Louisi an'a lot of the girls, including

Geogiana, a letter. We have some trees in our

park and sassafras bushes. I like to read of Mary,

the Virgin. I am ill. I noisily went out and got

some apples, and don't know how many I ate. X.

as a letter, is hard to make. I have two rings, one

gold and one bras. Kate has gone home, Mich.

A. Gans is here, Tennes Scement,-Oscar May,

BIBLE ENIGMA.

chapters in Isaiah and Joel, divided by the number

that Joseph had, added to the number of foxes that

Samson caught, divided by the number of Haman's

sons hanged, added to the number of children Job

had, added to the number of sons Noah had,

multiplied by the number of thieves crucified with

pieces of silver Joseph was sold into Egypt for,

CONUNDRUM NO. 5.

OSCAR MAY,

mine. I am going South. Caro Lina goes with me

To Miss O. U. Ridley: When have you heard

32, 43, 15, 22, 49 are homes of busy-bodies;

19, 46, 47, 40 is strictly nocturnal in its habits;

8, 42, 25, 35 is an instrument of chastisement;

45, 13, 36, 1, 24 sometimes "paints the town

34, 28, 20, 2, 10 is an exceedingly venomous

-" Philotas Queer."

-"Philotas Queer."

But a Bible, alas! he never has had.

But he's safe from "Davy's Locker."

His promise of fish they had heard.

17, 30, 21, 10, 44 are short storn;

29, 16, 37, 9, 51, 14 is in your eye;

The storm abates-the sun comes out-

Our ruddy puffer eatenes no fish

The 33, 23, 50 is a numeral;

Answers next week.

Sugar Valley, O.

Answers next week.

Answer next week.

wrapped in mystery.

ANSWERS.

one syllable, each commencing with the same two letters: Chill, Chock, Chide, Chat, Chose, Chaff,

REBUS NO. 2.

Be backward in expressing opinions on deeds

Excursions to Europe are announced for the

present year by Dr. Tourjee, whose trips have

Last week's Star Rebus, No. 1.-Ten words of

A fisherman sits cramped up in his bost, And parries blows with the flies,

While we, ever watchful, see in the west

There'll be wailing, I fear me, to-night When the rays of the stars shine dim.

For the flying rain and sleet go by And fill his frail boat to the brim.

He saw & wolf of the sea approach;

With fright the old angler shakes-

His pipe he throws on a lump of cork, Fings his gilt-headed rod to the bad;

A hurricane swiftly rise.

Father, a 5th Kansas veteran, would like to

quilt.-Address Box 39, South Chicago, Ili.

"He sat in silence on the ground,

Blanche Res, daughter of a 21st III, veteran, will

May your trust be ever in Him

That wherever I am I remember you yet.

our best appearance at the Club.

-Carrie B. Asheroft, Alton, hi.

the winning side.

ware, Minn.

reen River, Vt.

Farmer's Station, O.

laremont, Minn.

Derrick City, Pa.

ran), Delta, Colo.

May laving angels guard and keep

To thee and those that love thee.

May Future with her kindest smile

Bring joy and wealth untold.

The writer of this would like the song "Col.

Some Practical Suggestions for Our Agricultural Readers.

ABOUT HORSES. When one takes up any of the agricultural -Frank Pitcher (son 41st Iowa veteran), Breder, papers, East or West, North or South, he is struck with the appearance of the advertising pages, with big display lines and cuts of impossible horses. It would seem that their object was to advertise horses, and horses alone. -Myrtis Lorton, Box 386, Litchfield, Ill A more careful reading will show that it is big We should all take the Editor's advice and put in horses, and only big horses, which are now the rage, as the big Shanghae was years ago. Horses of 1,500 pounds are not to be mentioned beside the 1,800 and 2,000-pound monsters recommen. "ed to the farmers. No objection can be made to We had the" Education better than wealth" question in our schools. I was the affirmative and on large horses as such, be they Clydesdale, Percheron, Norman, or English draft. They have date of his death and were dependent upon him their place and value. Where a farmer can afford two spans of horses, one for draft and one -Orion L. Merrell, Box 139, Spencerport, N. Y. for the carriage, one large team is desirable. But with the great majority of small farmers one When the leaves of your Album are yellow with team only can be kept, and it is advisable to And the words that I write here are dim on the have that team adapted to all kinds of workable to draw the plow or a load of grain, and put before the carriage as roadsters. A span of 1,800-pound horses with mile posts for legs are -Ida Tams (daughter 2d Minn. veteran), Delaall right when heavy loads are to be drawn, but application for pension my rank was given as Sercarriage as a pair of elephants would be. The American farmer may find these heavy breeds of value to cross with lighter stock, or where a specialty is made of rearing large horses for special purposes, but they are not the kind he are borne out by the records. wants for his own use on the farm. A span of horses weighing 1,100 or 1,200 pounds, of Morgan strain or kindred breed, able to step off -Flora Johnson (daughter 60th Ohio veteran), with a plow, and when put to carriage make six miles an hour without urging, or on a wagon Look not sorrowfully into the past-it comes not draw 25 or 30 hundred pounds, are about all

that he can ask for. A few words on the question of horse-shoeing. A custom continued for generations, and supposed to be absolutely necessary, would be thought to have gained unquestionable standing, yet the present is proverbial for its want of faith in received opinions. The position of the Revolution receiving pension at the present the Telegraph is beyond doubt the true one on time? Answer. No. They are not nor never were this question. Those who shoe their horses are entitled to pension. right, and those who do not are right. If horses are used constantly on the street or country road, the growth of their hoofs will not keep pace with the wear and tear. On the farm, plowing, harrowing, and all such work, I prefer my horses to be unshed, or, if shed, to have the shoe without calks. The hoofs grow out natural, and the feet are healthy and sound. When there is work on the road, and during the dry and heated Summer, they should be shod, if no more than as a protection to the hoof, as the hoofs at that time are brittle, and the stamping the way of bounty. too often breaks the edges. Everything depends on circumstances, and ordinary good sound sense must determine the matter. If the shoes as he thinks best, for correct shoeing is of itself an art. Nor should the shoes remain on the feet more than four weeks, as the hoof constantly grows, and the iron rim soon confines and compresses it .- Cor. Germantown Tele-

HOW TO PRESERVE EGGS. Eggs packed in well-dried ashes, and so as not to touch each other, have been kept per-

fectly sweet for a year. Our experience on August 5, 1884, when the thermometer registered 90 degrees in the shade: We packed some fresh-laid eggs in salt, not to touch one another. We broke one of the eggs Dec. 15, 1884, in a plate, and it had the appearance of a fresh-laid egg. The white tasted a little of salt, while the yelk was in heat to as fine a froth as we ever saw. Eggs in August can be bought at from 8 to 10 cents per dozen, while in Winter they sell at 30 and 35 cents per dozen. Almost any family can pack eggs during the Summer, and have them when the price reaches 40 and 50 conts per dozen. The salt that the eggs are packed in can be them on the market, for there is a great demand. Farmers and city families should try as to how to preserve eggs.

We called on one of our leading egg-packers recently, and found he had 40,000 dezen packed in lime pickle, costing him from 8 to 12 cents per dozen. An egg packed by this mode can be seen at once, and cannot be sold as a fresh egg, as the white becomes watery. The cost is granted, makes him a citizen.

THE WHEAT CROP FOR 18 YEARS. The following table gives the statistics of the ry, and the movement,

wheat crop	of this coun	try, ar
since 1866:		
		When
Years.	Acres.	bus
1867 8	18,321,561	212,4
	18,460,132	224.0
1869-70	19,181,004	287.7
1870-1	18,992,591	235,3
	19,943,893	230.7
	20,858,359	249,9
	22,171,676	281,2
1874-5	24,967,027	309.1
1875-6	26,381,512	292.1
1876-7	27,677,081	289,3
	36,387,546	354,1
1878-9	32,108,500	420.1
1879-80	35,430,333	459.4
1880-1	37,986,717	498.5
1881-2	37,709,020	380.2
1882-3	37,067,198	504.1
	36,445,593	421.0
	38,500,000	513,3

at crop, Net exp's, 441,400 745,626 51,347,709 334,700 50,338,285 86,373,210 59,445,699 254,700 102,700 70,764,736 36,000 72,441,801 55, 478, 801 90,055,847 147,378,705 483,137 180,443,372 549.868185,273,994 121,732,530 85,470 145,918,947 000,000

SOFTENING LEATHER. Farmers who are accustomed to wearing thick leather boots or shoes often desire to soften them, or rather to keep them soft. Castor oil is sometimes recommended for this end and serves a good purpose, but there is nothing more natural than neat's-foot oil, although this will not always render very stiff leather entirely pliable. If boots are very rigid and stiff, there is nothing that will render them pliable easier than lukewarm water. After the leather is rendered soft, the oil may be used to good purpose, and requiring less than if no water was I am as old as Methu-alch, less the number of | water is repellant, and prevents the oil from passing entirely through the leather, thus retaining the oil in the substance of the leather, where it is most needed. NOTELETS.

-Within a few years the manufacture of cheese has increased in this country from 70,high-priced as ever, compared with other things, and the markst seems no nearer being glutted than it was years ago. More than that, divided by the number of stones David had in his it is still, at current quotations, a food so valuable that it should be much more generally used than it has ever been.

- Mutton tallow is good to prevent cows' teats from cracking. - Ensilage is especially adapted to old cows, as it is as succulent and as easily digested as

- A farmer in Northern Iowa finds oats and peas cheaper than corn for feeding pigs. He sows two bushels of Canadian peas and one of oats to the acre, as early in the Spring as the ground will admit of seeding. He begins to cut and feed them as soon as the peas are of the size to use for cooking. The pigs eat the vines as well as the pods. - All kinds of domestic animals fed upon

dry hay require an abundant supply of water. It is true that sheep can live without it when they can have access to pure snow, but that they suffer severely when deprived of it is evident from their lack of thrift. Every farmer who keeps sheep should see that his flock has free access to the watering trough at all times, and the nearer the water to their feed racks the better. By watching a flock eat, supplied with water close at hand, it will be noticed that a sheep will occasionally leave the hay. step to the water and sip a little, then return to he feed rack. This is much better for the auimals than it would be to drink heartily once or twice a day in cold weather.

- Just think of it! The creamery butter product of Minnesota has gone up from nothing in 1879 to 30,000,000 pounds in 1884, and she begins 1885 by taking the grand sweepstakes prize at New Orleans for the best butter made at any time or place, together with 25 other prizes on dairy products. And yet there are men who say Minnesota is not a dairy State. - Cows that suck themselves are practically worthless for dairy use. They can be cured, but it is usually more trouble than the cow is worth.

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reply to their inquiries.] I. A. F., Rising Sun. Ohio. - I am drawing pension inder special act of Congress, and am going to try for increase. In case I should die from my injuries, would I have to apply to Congress or to the Com-missioner of Pensions for my wife? Answer. In such a case we would suggest that you make no application at all. You being dead, an application from you would be somewhat out of order. Your widow, however, could apply to the Commissioner of Pensions. After a pension has been granted by special act of Congress, the pensioner is considered the same as if he ad secured his pension under the general pension laws. F. R. M., Appleton, Ohio .- A soldier of the late

war filed a claim fer pension prior to June 20, 1880, but died before completing the same. He left no wife or children, but has brothers and sisters living. Can they complete and obtain said pension, provided they obtain the required evidence? Answer. No; unless they were under 15 years of age at the for support, and both parents were slead, or the father dead and the mother re-married. C. H. B., Boston .- Has the pension agent any authority to tell a pensioner the amount another pen-sioner is drawing? Answer. We know of nothing that prevents the pension agent or any other person from giving out such information. There is nothing confidential about such matters.

A. R. H., Kalamazoo, Mich. - I notice in your issue of Jan, 15 that in answer to the question, "What is full pension of Second Lieutenant?" your answer is \$15 per month. By some mistake at time of my

sponding with pension of Second Lieutenant? Answer. Yes to all of the foregoing, if the facts stated A. S. T., Fort Fairfield, Me .- A dependent father was living with his son. The son died, and his widow got pension. She has married, and has a minor son II years old. Now, what I wish to know is, can the dependent father get the pension? He s 78 years old, and has no other means of support. Or does it go to minor son? Answer. The father is not entitled. The pension goes to the minor child

Lieutenant, as disability was contracted some time

corrected? If so, can I draw back pension corre-

F. C. L., Portland, Me., wishes to know if he can draw his pension in England or Ireland. Answer. Yes. If residing in a foreign country his pension will be sent him direct by the pension agent in this A. W. C., Ashton, R. I .- Are there heirs of soldiers

P. V., Fallsburg.-How much is a soldier entitled to for the loss of an eye? Answer. \$8, if the remain-

ing eye is not affected.

Dr. D. T. B., Marionville, Mo.—The act of April 22, 1872, does not nor was it ever intended to give a bounty of \$100 to those who received a bounty for their service, but it applies to those only who never received any bounty for their enlistments prior to July 22, 1861, and muster in prior to Aug. 6, 1861. A great many received no bounty at all, although enlisted and mustered prior to the dates mentioned; hence the act mentioned, which places them upon an equal footing with yourself and others who did receive a bounty. Nothing more coming to you in

J. C .- Drafted men enrolled from March 3, 1863, to September 5, 1864, for three years, or men who during said period entisted for three years as substitutes for drafted men, are entitled to \$100 bounty horses are shod, they should not be handed if they served two years or more or were dishorses are shod, they should not be handed of they served two years or more or were dis-over to every ignorant blacksmith to nail on charged by reason of wounds received in line of Daly, Boston, Mass.—I would cheerfully recom-

duty Sergeant to Captain, and acted in that capac-ity four months without being mustered as such. To whom should I apply to have muster rolls corrected and obtain difference in pay between those Kan.—The watch came safely to hand in splending the same safely to have must be same safely to have must be safely to have must be same safely to have must be safely to have must be same safely to have must be safely to have must for amendment of record and to the Second Auditor of the Treasury for the difference of pay involved. Of course the claim for pay hinges upon the action taken in the other claim.

N. O. B., Pine Creek .- 1. Has the Mexican Pension Bill to be enacted all over again by Congress, or perfect preservation. The white of the egg will they take it up where the last Congress left it? elected President, and what was the pay? 3. How many Lieutenant-Generals have the U.S. ever had, and what is their pay? 4. What is the pay of a Major General? Answer. 1. The bill pending in last Congress failed. That Congress having ceased to exist, the bill mentioned, as well as all others that failed to pass, are dead issues, and must be again introduced and acted upon the same as if used for other purposes. We have some of the they had never been up before. 2. General U. S. eggs on hand at present writing, and shall place A., \$13,500 a year. 3. Grant, Sherman and Sheri-

dan, (Scott was a brevet Lieut.-General,) \$11,000. 4. \$7,500 a year. P. T. Primghar, Iowa,-1. If a man enlisted Aug. the above. We receive inquiries every month | 15, 1863, and served to April 20, 1865, was discharged on disability, was paid \$25 bounty at time of muster and no more, is there any due and obtaimble? 2. To settle a dispute, does the service of any foreign-born man in the late war make him a citizen of the United States by law? Answer. 1. No, if discharged for disease. 2. No; he has to file a petition for citizenship, which, if Wm. B., New Hampshire.-I enlisted in the Regubut a trifle to pickle with lime. - City and Coun- lar Army in 1861, served about a year, was taken sick and went home on a sick furlough and my loctor wrote to headquarters that I was not fit for duty. I have never received any answer yet, and have been under the doctor's care, more or less, ever since. I am going to apply for a pension, but

have no discharge papers. Will you tell me how I shall first proceed? Answer, Apply to the Adjutant General, U. S. A. for a discharge. Your pension will be denied, however meritorious it may be, until you obtain a discharge. You are classed as a deserter at large" from the Regular Army, and it ter.-Henry Ballinger, Latrobe, Pa.-The Wateris not at all probable that you can obtain a discharge until you surrender yourself as a deserter. A deserter from the Regular Army is held to be amenable to the action of the War Department, no matter when the offense was committed, H. J. W., Atwater Center, O .- Please inform me whether (if either) President Arthur or President Cieveland signed the bill giving the former the privilege of naming one Major-General to be placed on the retired list? We are having quite a dispute over it. Answer. You are somewhat mixed on the subject. Congress passed a law creating the rank of an additional General (not Major-General) on the retired list. This gave President Arthur the privilege of naming Gen. Grant to fill the vacancy thus created. He did so, and the nomination was confirmed by the Senate This was during the last hours of President Arthur's administration. The commission of Gen. Grant as a General, U.S. A., retired, was signed by President Cleveland, he having been inaugurated before the formal compliance with the law had been completed, Piano, Baltimore, Md.-1. Can the Vice-President of the U.S. hold a commission or other certificate as President of the Senate? 2. Is he recorded in

the records of the Senate as Vice-President or President of the Senate? 3. Does he sign official papers as Vice-President or President of the Senate? 4. Can any one, except a Senator, hold the position of President of the Senate? 5. Is the Vice-President a Senator? 6. Is not the President of the Senate a separate and distinct office, to be held used. The reason for this is obvious. The only by a Senator? 7. Is the Vice-President (or can be be) President of the Senate? Answer, 1 Yes. 2. As President of the Senate. 3. The same. 4. Yes, the Vice-President of the U.S. 5. No. 6. No. unless the Vice-President shall be absent or a vacancy exists in that office. 7. Yes. Articles 4 and 5, section 3, of the Constitution of the U.S. provides that "The Vice-President of the United States shall be President of the Schole, but shall have no vote unless they be equally divided. The Senate shall choose their other officers and also a President pro tempore in the absence of the Vice-Prestdent, or when he shall exercise the office of Prestdent of the United States."

De W. C. B., Schoolcraft, Mtch .- I. A is an honorably discharged soldier of the Regular Army. Is he eligible to membership in the G.A.R.? 2. Why was Gen. Hooker relieved from command of the Twentieth Corps in front of Atlanta? 3. Why cannot the Government pay in silver the pensions for one or two years? The silver could be put in circulation in that way. Answer, If he served between April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865, he would be eligible, otherwise he would not be eligible. The membership of the G.A.R. is restricted to those who participated during the war of the rebellion, 2. From motives of expediency, we presume. 3. You can get silver in exchange for your pension check if you desire that kind of money, D. R. P. H., Albert Lea, Minn. - Under act of July 22, 1861, a soldier who served less than two years was entitled to \$100 bounty if dischared for wounds or injuries received in line of duty, etc. A soldier

served 13 months and was discharged for injury to ankle-his discharge reads for "physical disability." Can he now recover his bounty? Answer. Yes.
T. S. B., Iola, Kan.—I enlisted Jan. 10, 1863, was di-charged by reason of expiration of term of service, Sept. 17, 1863; again enlisted for one year Oct. 15, 1863, was discharged Dec. 31, 1864; again enlisted for one year April 7, 1865, and was discharged Sept. 15, 1865. Am I entitled to any bounty? I never received any bounty under either enlistment. Answer. No bounty was due for enlistments for a period of less than one year, nor to one-year men who enlisted prior to July 18, 1864. In your third service you received \$311/a bounty in advance, and that was all that you were entitled to. No further bounty due you.

G. W. W., Fulion, N. Y.—If the pensioner is not able to go before a Notary Public to prove his iden-

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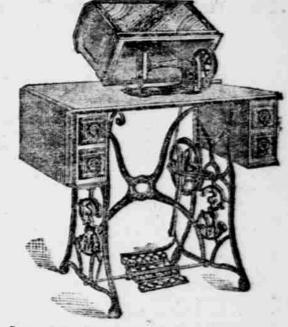
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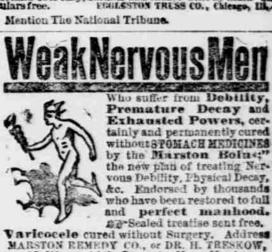
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